

Remarks

This is a complete response to the Office Action of August 11, 2003.

Claims 1-11 were in this case prior to this amendment. Claims 1 and 11 have been rejected. Claims 1 and 11 have been cancelled by this amendment.

Claims 2-10 are objected to as being dependent on rejected claim 1 but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 2 has been rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of its base claim, claim 1 so that claim 2 and its dependent claims 3-10 are allowable.

Claims 2-10 define a patentably significant advance in the state of the art in definite form and free of the art, and are allowable.

Accordingly, an early Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

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